



"Eddy the Ready Dragon"

Emergency Management Mid-Monthly Message

Eddy says...

Date: April

April is America's PrepareAthon

America's PrepareAthon is a grassroots campaign for action to get people better prepared for emergencies.

Why is preparedness important?

- Safeguarding U.S. security depends on ensuring the strength of our Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines, Coast Guard and civilians at JB MDL.
- We are focusing on the well-being and safety of each member of our workforce and their families so that we can continue to safeguard U.S. security.
- In order to continue to support the Nation, our Service members, civilians and Joint Base Installation, must be prepared for disasters and emergencies.

What is the America's PrepareAthon! Campaign?

- The America's PrepareAthon! Campaign urges us to identify and learn more about the hazards we face and to plan ahead of these emergencies.
- Because emergencies can occur at any time, without warning, when we prepare and practice for these events, it makes a real difference in our ability to take immediate and informed action. This, in turn, enables us to recover more quickly.
- The goal of the campaign is to increase the number of individuals who:
 - Understand which disasters could happen in their community
 - Know what to do to be safe and mitigate danger
 - To take action to increase their preparedness
- Culminating with National PrepareAthon! Day, 30 April.

What can you do?

- Make a Plan – plan to protect yourself and your family.
- Get a Kit - A disaster supplies kit is simply a collection of basic items your household may need for a 72 hour period in the event of an emergency.
- Stay Informed - Learn what protective measures to take before, during, and after an emergency.

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Disasters can strike anywhere and anytime. Together we can build a culture of preparedness so we are ready to confront and recover from emergencies and disasters.